

REMARKS

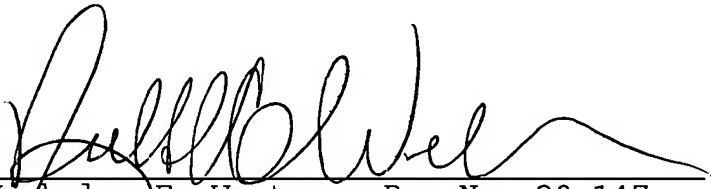
Entry of this Preliminary Amendment prior to calculating the filing fee is respectfully requested.

The Preliminary Amendment cancels claims which are present in the parent case, which has now been allowed, and which will issue as a patent, as well as making certain independent claims dependent on others. This is to reduce the overall filing fee.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to deposit account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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